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From: WASHINGTON

To: MOSCOW

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To MIKOYAN.[1]

[Part I] I am transmitting the text of a letter (translated from English) received by me from Admiral KING<sup>[ii]</sup>:

"[3 groups unrecovered] Captain MINAKOV<sup>[iii]</sup> [1 group unrecovered] 12 December [4 groups unrecovered] Lt. Com. Smith of the Ship Building Administration of the Navy Department [sic, probably - Bureau of Naval Yards and Docks] of the USA. The Navy Department

[18 groups unrecovered]

by the document that personnel

[38 groups unrecoverable]

on these [vessels?] in zone of battle and in order to observe the military application of the vessels in operation [6 groups unrecovered] and will also receive full information, drawings, manuals, etc. [4 groups unrecovered] equipment. I hope your agency [4 groups unrecovered] these trawlers and it is extremely necessary

[59 groups unrecovered].

[Part II] [4 groups unrecovered] in the Ship Building Administration [See above], Washington.

MINAKOV's letter, [15 groups unrecovered]

training of our personnel

[17 groups unrecovered]

and Naval [3 groups unrecovered] Rear-Admiral DUNCAN<sup>[iv]</sup> [5 groups unrecovered] (the English according to their

[32 groups unrecoverable and 54 groups unrecovered]

our personnel the last

[2 groups unrecoverable and 22 groups unrecovered]

with BELYaEV, me, EGORYChEV, MINAKOV [7 groups unrecovered]. Please wire.

AKULIN<sup>[v]</sup>

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[iii] Chief of the Marine Dept. of the Naval, Marine,  
and Transportation Div. of the Soviet Government  
Purchasing Commission in the USA.

[iv] US Naval Attaché, Moscow.

[v] Deputy Chairman of the SGPC in the USA.